

ESSEX HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

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Winter Sidewalk Safety Reminder

This is an important reminder to Essex residents on the importance of clearing sidewalks of snow during the winter months.

While driving, please watch carefully for people walking or jogging in the street due to adjacent sidewalks not being cleared. There is currently no ordinance requiring property owners to clear their sidewalks, however we do ask that you do your best to clear and maintain the sidewalks along your property as this is in the best interests of public safety.

After the last snowfall, we had reports of sidewalks not being shoveled and pedestrians having to walk in the road into oncoming traffic in order to get by.

We strongly encourage residents to help their elderly and disabled neighbors if clearing snow is too much for those individuals.

We thank you in advance for your efforts in keeping sidewalks clear for the safety of pedestrians and as always, please drive slowly and be alert at all times.

Stay safe,

Ryan Welch, Director Public Works